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SUBJ: 29TH GA: SECOND COMMITTEE--ITEM 12, PERMANENT
SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES

1. THE COMMITTEE TOOK UP RESOLUTION 1372 REV. 1 PERMANENT
SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES IN THE OCCUPIED ARAB
TERRITORIES, AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER 21. THERE WAS NO DISCUSSION OF
THE ITEM, EXCEPT FOR EXPLANATION OF VOTE BEFORE AND AFTER THE
VOTE. UPON REQUEST A SEPARATE ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN
ON OP PARAS 3 AND 4. THE VOTE ON OP PARA 3 WAS 93-2(US,
ISRAEL)-29(EC-9, SCATTERED LATINS AND COMMONWEALTH). ON
OP PARA 4 THE VOTE WAS 95-2(US, BRAZIL)-27.

2. ON THE RESOLUTION AS A WHOLE, THE ROLL CALL VOTE WAS
95-2(US, ISRAEL)-28. FOLLOWING ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION,
THE US MADE AN EXPLANATION OF ITS VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

QTE--THE US CAST NEGATIVE VOTES ON THE SEPARATE PARAS
AND THE RESOLUTION AS A WHOLE. I WOULD LIKE TO RECALL THAT
THE USG TOOK A SIMILAR POSITION ON A SIMILAR RESOLUTION
DURING THE 28TH GA, RESOLUTION 3175. OUR POSITION IS
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BASED ON THE VIEW THAT THE SUBJECT MATTER OF RESOLUTION

1372/REV.1. IS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR CONSIDERATION IN
THE SECOND COMMITTEE. END QUOTE

3. THE REP OF JAPAN MADE AN EXPLANATION OF ITS
FAVORABLE VOTE SAYING RATHER LAMELY THAT HE "UNDERSTOOD
THE BASIC POSITION OF THE CO-SPONSORS". THE REP OF FRANCE
READ OUT A STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE EC-9 ALONG THE
LINES OF THE US STATEMENT. THERE WERE MANY STATEMENTS
ON THE PART OF THOSE WHO HAD FAVORED THE RESOLUTION.
THE ONLY INTERESTING ONE WAS BY THE LIBYAN REP WHO SAID
THAT HE HAD ABSENTED HIMSELF DURING THE VOTE SINCE
ANOTHER RESOLUTION ON THIS ISSUE WAS USELESS AND FUTILE.
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